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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON GULF OIL PERSONNEL IN LUANDA AND CABINDA

1. GULF NO LONGER HAS ANY EXPATRIATE PERSONNEL IN LUANDA OTHER THAN THE MANAGER AND A FEW KEY PEOPLE WHO COME IN FOR BRIEF PERIODS. AT NO TIME, ACCORDING TO THE MANAGER, SIDNEY ANDERSON, ARE THERE MORE THAN TWO OR THREE EXPATRIATES HERE. IN CABINDA, THE COMPANY HAS ABOUT TWENTY EXPATRIATES AND 13 PORTUGUESE. THE LATTER WITH THEIR FAMILIES, TOTAL ABOUT 43 PEOPLE. GULF SHUTTLES ITS CREWS BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN JOHANNESBURG AND CABINDA AND ALSO USES THE AIR LINKS AT KINSHASA (PAN AM, IBERIA AND UTA) TO RUN CREWS UP TO LONDON OR DOWN TO JOHANNESBURG.

2. ANDERSON TOLD ME HE HAS FIVE WORKBOATS IN CABINDA, SO THERE IS NO PROBLEM OF CAPACITY TO TAKE EVERYONE OUT WHEN NEEDED. HE HAS HAD A DRILL AND THE ENTIRE WORK FORCE WAS ON THE BOATS IN FIFTEEN MINUTES. ANDERSON HAS AGREED TO TRY AND LEAVE ONE WORKBOAT IN LUANDA AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. ONE THAT HAS BEEN HERE FOR SEVERAL DAYS MUST NOW TAKE FREIGHT NORTH, BUT WILL RETURN IN A FEW DAYS. KILLORAN

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